

The State of New Hampshire

Department of Environmental Services

Michael P. Nolin Commissioner





LETTER OF DEFICIENCY WD WWEB/R 05-01 January 24, 2005

Ernest M. Creveling Town Administrator 356 Main Street Farmington, NH 03835

Re: **Town Septage Lagoons**

Septage Facility Permit No. SEF-01-002

Dear Mr. Creveling:

On January 12th of this year, the Department of Environmental Services, Residuals Management Section (DES) received the 2004 Annual Report regarding the operation of the above referenced septage lagoons. The report indicates that a total of 351,950 gallons of septage was discharged into the lagoons during calendar year 2004. This gives rise to the following deficiency:

1. The Town allowed a volume of septage to be discharged to the lagoon that was 51,950 gallons over the permitted volume, which is a violation of the permit.

The DES believes the cited deficiency can be corrected, and requests that the Town exercise due diligence in its management of the lagoons to assure that the volume of septage discharged to the lagoons between January 1, 2005 and June 1, 2005 (i.e. the beginning of lagoon closure activities) be limited to 125,000 gallons, which is a 5 month portion of the 300,000 gallon yearly permit limit. In the event compliance is not achieved, DES may initiate formal actions including, but not limited to, suspension of the septage facility permit and initiating an administrative fine proceeding.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call me at (603) 271-7888, or via e-mail arastorguyeff@des.state.nh.us.

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